LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Twenty Ninth Session

January - 1875

M I N U T E S

of the

TWENTY-NINTH SESSION

of the

LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the

Methodist E. Church South,

Held in Alexandria, Louisiana, January 6 - 11th.

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Bishop R. Paine, Presiding.
John Wilkinson, Secretary

NEW ORLEANS:

R. J. Harp, Publisher, 110 & 112 Camp Street.

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MINUTES

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Conference was held in the Court House at Alexandria, Louisiana. It opened at ten o' clock A. M., Wednesday, January 6th, 1875, and closed at eight o'clock P. M., Monday, January 11th, 1875.

Bishop Paine was present and presided; Bishop Keener was also present and occasionally occupied the chair.

John Wilkinson was elected Secretary, and Samuel H. Schroeder was elected Assistant Secretary.

The following members of the Conference were present at the Session:

CLERICAL: B. F. Alexander, R. J. Harp, A. E. Goodwyn, J. A. Ivy, S. S. Scott, Frederick White, L. Parker, J. Pipes, B. Clegg, B. F. White, H. O. White, R. T. Parish, C. W. Carter, J. H. Stone, J. A. Miller, T. J. Upton, T. H. McClendon, J. F. Wynn, J. Wilkinson, M. C. Manly, J. V. Pointer, J. E. Cobb, J. Matthews, R. Parvin, W. D. Stayton, R. Randle,

J. M. McKee, R. H. Adair, J. M. Franklin,S. H. Cooper, G. Jackson, J. M. Brown, R. S. Trippet, G. M. Liverman, P. Allen, J. W. Medlock, C. Keener, S. H. Schroeder, E. B. Foust, W. P. Owen, J. B. Walker, J. M. Johnston, J. S. White, J. D. Harper, T. S. Randle, J. J. Billingsley, W.Hart, T. Mullett, J. W. Hearne, R. S. Isbell, F. G. Hocutt.

Lay: W. H. Foster, of the New Orleans District, J. Moore of the Delhi District; T. Franklin of the Shreveport District; R. J. Bowman of the Alexandria District; E. Harmon of the Opelousas District

Question 1. Who are admitted on trial?
Answer: J. F. Patterson, Abel Hoffpauir, George T. Freeman.

Q. 2. Who remain on trial?
A. Alfred E. Clay, John T. Sawyer, William R. Whatley.

Q. 3. Who are discontinued?
A. Eugene G. Miller, Thomas F. Webb.

Q. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
A. J. Shelton White, Thomas Mullett, Jacob D. Harper, Thomas S. Randle, J. J. Billingsley, William Hart, J. W. Hearne, R. S. Isbell, Felix G. Hocutt.

Q. 5. Who are re-admitted?
A. Nathan S. Corneli, W. D. Shea.

Q. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
A. Joseph B. Walker, from Texas Conference; J. M. Johnston, from Alabama Conference; J. F. Scurlock, from Southwest Missouri Conference; J. G. Grote, from Texas Conference.

Question 7. Who are the Deacons of one year?
Answer: Samuel H. Schroeder, Enos B. Foust.

Q. 8. What traveling preachers are elected Deacons?
A. Alfred E. Clay, John T. Sawyer, J. S. White, T. S. Randle, J. J. Billingsley, W. Hart, J. W. Hearne, A. M. Wailes.

Q. 9. What traveling preachers are ordained Deacons?
A. A. E. Clay, J. T. Sawyer, J. S. White, T.S. Randle, J. J. Billingsley, W. Hart, J. W. Hearne A. M. Wailes.

Q. 10. What local preachers are elected Deacons?
A. Abel Hoffpauir, W. B. Pilley.

Q. 11. What local preachers are ordained Deacons?
A. A. Hoffpauir, W. B. Pilley.

Q. 12. What traveling preachers are elected Elders?
A. R. S. Isbell, Phillip Allen.

Q. 13. What traveling preachers are ordained Elders?
A. R. S. Isbell, Phillip Allen.

Q. 14. What local preachers are elected Elders?
A. Wm. A. Droddy.

Q. 15. What local preachers are ordained Elders?
A. Wm. A. Droddy, J. A. Monroe; also Samuel E. Hale, who was ordained by Bishop Kavanaugh in New Orleans, February 22, 1874.

Q. 16. Who are located this year?
A. Fisher T. Rawson, J. Lane Borden, Wm. D. Stayton, at their own request.

Q. 17. Who are supernumerary?
A. Almarin G. Miller, Jesse Fulton

Q. 18. Who are superannuated?
A. John S. Davis, Henry C. Thweatt, W. E. Doty, Edwin W. Yancey, Philo M. Goodwyn, Joel Saunders, Philip H. Dieffenwieth.

Q. 19. What preachers have died during the past year?
A. None.

Q. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
A. Their names were called over one by one and their characters were examined and passed, except that of Enos B. Foust, whose case was referred to the Presiding Elder of the New Orleans District for investigation.

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MEMBERSHIP

Question 21. What is the number of preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference?

Answer: (See statistics on following pages.)

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT	Members		Local Preachers	
	WHITE	COLORED	WHITE	COLORED
Carondelet Street	459	2	2	
Felicity Street	400	4	5	
Moreau Street	84			
Cadiz Street	78		1	
Louisiana Avenue	106			
Algiers	73		1	
Lafourche and Mission	15			
Baton Rouge	198			
Plaquemine and Grosse Tete	13			
	1426	6	9	
DELHI DISTRICT				
Monroe	78			
Trenton	152	5	2	
Bastrop	108			
Lind Grove	245		1	
Oak Ridge & Prairie Mer Rouge	88			
Rayville	204	1	2	
Winnsboro	400		1	
Waterproof and St. Joseph	85		1	
Tensas Chapel and Concord	42		2	
Wesley	65	3		
Delhi	209		3	
Lake Providence and Pecan Grove	66		1	
Floyd	295		5	
	2037	9	18	
HOMER DISTRICT				
Homer	540		4	

Haynesville	473		2	
Minden	370		3	
South Bossier	177			
Sparta & Ringgold	271		4	
Arcadia	250			
Vernon	486		2	
Castor	337		5	
Louisville				
Ouachita	380		1	
Farmerville	350	2	6	
	3634	2	27	
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT				
Shreveport	153			
Caddo	172		2	
DeSoto	192			
Mansfield & Pleasant Hill	230			
Manny	139			
Anacoco and Leesville	462	22	7	
North Bossier	123		1	
	1471	22	10	
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT:				
Alexandria & Pineville	105			
Spring Creek	175	5	1	
Chicot & Ville Platte	40			
Bayou Boeuff	12			
Evergreen & Big Cane	293		2	
Bayou DeGlaize				
Rapides Mission	450	20	2	
Montgomery	305	14	3	
Harrisonburg and				
Sicily Island	100		1	
Centerville	247	14		
Trinity	44		1	
Columbia and Triune	65			
Caldswell & Dugdemona	135		2	
Little River Mission	62			
	2033	53	12	

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT:				
Opelousas and Bellevue	126		1	
Washington	40			
St. Landry	582		4	
Teche	9	2		
Vermillionville and Kimball's Chapel	59			
Abbeville	118			
New Iberia	222			
Franklin	103			
Pattersonville	66			
Lake Charles and Grand Cheniere	145		1 1	
Calcasieu and Sugartown	291		7	
	1761	2	14	
RECAPITULATION				
New Orleans District	1426	6	9	
Delhi District	2037	9	18	
Homer District	3634	2	27	
Shreveport District	1471	22	10	
Alexandria District	2033	53	12	
Opelousas District	1761	2	14	
Aggregate	12362	94	90	
Last Year	12535	179	91	
Decrease	173	85	1	

When it is recollected that the German charges are not reckoned in the statistics this year, and, further, that no reports were received this year from Springville, Bayou de Glaize, Louisville, all of which numbered in last year statistics 671, the above aggregate indicates not a decrease of 173, but an increase of 498.

B A P T I S M S

Questions 22 and 23. How many infants and adults have been baptized during the year?

Answer:

	INFANTS	ADULTS
New Orleans District	123	33
Delhi District	92	69
Homer District	170	305
Shreveport District	76	170
Alexandria District	236	202
Opelousas District	148	56
Total -	845	835

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Questions 24, 25, 26. What is the number of Sunday Schools, teachers, and scholars?

Answer: (Statistics on following pages)

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT	No. of Schools	No. Officers & Teachers	No. of Scholars	Volumes in Library	Money Collected for Schools	Money Collected for Missions.	Number Periodicals Taken	Scholars received into Church
Carondelet Street	1	32	213	1500	$ 129 00	$.	136	.
Felicity Street	1	35	250	2150	468 45	218 00	200	13
Moreau Street	1	15	100	1200	60 25	63 00	113	
Cadiz Street	2	25	185	375	125 55	26 55	213	5
Louisiana Avenue	2	39	250	500	408 00		450	11
Algiers	1	13	90	200	71 00			
Baton Rouge	1	17	125	500	245 35	21 65	100	23
	9	176	1214	6425	$ 1507 60	330 00	1272	52
Delhi District:								
Monroe	1	12	65	300	$ 4 00			
Trenton	1	16	75	800	40 95	17 00	95	20
Bastrop	1	12	40	300	12 00	19 50	72	
Lind Grove	3	12	75	300	3 00		40	
Oak Ridge	1							
Rayville	1	4	25	175	30 00		75	
Winnsboro	1	3	12	75				
Waterproof& St.Joseph	2	10	60	272	17 55		45	

Delhi	2	10	60		$ 10 00		12	1
Lake Providence and Pecan Grove	1	4	15	100			10	1
Floyd	4	14	105	400		1 55	100	18
	17	93	518	2722	$ 117 50	38 05	449	40
HOMER DISTRICT:								
Homer	4	30	185	300	$	$	70	
Haynesville	4	24	200	700				
Minden	3	25	125	400	40 00		32	
South Bossier	2	8	42	300	12 00		12	
Sparta & Ringgold	2	10	50	100				10
Arcadia	4	23	105	130	25 75			
Vernon	4	28	75	50				35
Ouachita	1	6	18	50				
Farmerville	2	17	90	300	10 00		15	12
	26	171	890	2340	87 75		129	57
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT:								
Shreveport	1	15	102	300	$ 54 85		135	15
Caddo	1	5	33	206			30	
DeSoto	2	11	72	100	13 50		60	4
Mansfield & Pleasant H.	2	29	127	400	80 00		201	24

Manny	4	16	100	100	$ 13 00	$		
Anacoco & Leesville	4	18	102	48				14
	14	95	536	1154	$ 161 35	$	426	57
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT:								
Alexandria & Pineville	2	10	43	100	25 00			3
Spring Creek	1	5	35					
Evergreen and								
Big Cane	4	22	87	335	40 25		77	17
Rapides Mission	6	25	150	300	5 00			20
Montgomery	2	8	65	200	20 00			45
Harrisonburg and								
Sicily Island	2	5	20	70	12 00		20	10
Centerville	3	16	80					18
Columbia and Triune	1	5	25	25	11 00			1
	21	96	505	1030	113 25		97	112
OPELOUSAS DISTRICT:								
Opelousas and Belle-								
vue	1	10	75	200	$ 16 00	$	100	13
Washington	1	7	47	325	25			
St. Landry	4	31	205	400	15 90		58	40
Teche	1	1	11					
Vermillionville	1	10	40	250				

Abbeville	1	10	75	200	$ 16 00	$	100	13
New Iberia	1	10	111	600	30 00	8 55	115	5
Franklin	1	12	45	300	23 00		60	2
Lake Charles	1	9	30	237	1 50	7 40		
Calcasieu	3	9	75	200				2
	16	109	685	2812	$ 91 65	$ 15 95	333	62
RECAPITULATION								
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Shreveport District	14	95	536	1154	161 35		426	57
Alexandria District	21	96	505	1030	113 25		97	112
Opelousas District	16	109	685	2812	91 65	15 95	333	62
Aggregate	103	740	4348	16483	$2079 10	$ 384 00	2706	380
Last Year	130	895	5541	20122	2821 28	1114 00	3141	281
Decrease	27	155	1193	3639	742 18	730 00	435	

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

Question 27. What amount is necessary for the Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers?

Answer: $3560.

Q. 28. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

A. Collected - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $1711 00

Applied - To Superannuates:

Henry C. Thweatt - - - - - - - - - - - - -	$ 70 00
Joel Saunders	70 00
Fisher T. Rawson	175 00
Philo M. Goodwyn	200 00
John S. Davis	150 00
Edwin W. Yancey	150 00
John C. Reed	126 20
	$ 941 20

To Widows and Orphans:

Widow of J. H. Waters	$ 70 00
" Fielding Bell	70 00
" Richmond Randle	70 00
" Uriah Whatley	70 00
" W. G. McGaughey	70 00
Widow and Orphans of R. R. R. Alexander	150 00
" " " J. D. Adams	150 00
Orphans of C. J. Hallberg	80 00
" W. J. McFarland	40 00
	$770 00

Total to Widows, Superannuates, Orphans - $1,711 20

Bishops' Claim

Amount of Claim	$ 800 00
Amount Collected	662 35
Deficit	$ 137 65

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLVED, That the Bishops' Claim for the ensuing year be $800, and the apportioned to the several Districts as follows, with instructions that the Presiding Elders divide the amount for their respective Districts, among the several circuits and stations of same; and that they take up collections to meet the amount so apportioned:

Apportionment

New Orleans District	$300 00
Delhi District	133 33
Homer District	133 33
Shreveport District	100 00
Alexandria District	66 67
Opelousas District	66 67
	$ 800 00

RESOLVED, That in order to meet the claims of Superannuates, and Widows and Orphans, the preachers pay five per cent of their total receipts.

Board of Finance for 1875

New Orleans District: John Mathews, W. H. Foster.
Delhi District:T. H. McClendon, J. H. Brigham.
Homer District: J. M. McKee,W. F. Moreland.
Shreveport Dist: R. H. Adair, B. T. Spearman
Opelousas District:B.F.White, W.H.Cunningham
Alexandria Dist: Christian Keener,R.J.Bowman

REPORT OF THE JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE OF THE LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE for 1875

Name	Work	Total Allowance	Total Receipts	Widows & Orphans	Bishops' Collection
Linus Parker, P. E.	New Orleans Dist.	$3000 00	$1514 35	$ 75 00	$
Wm. V. Tudor	Carondelet Street	3300 00	2800 00	210 50	135 10
John Mathews	Felicity Street	3000 00	2239 80	250 60	164 50
J. Lane Borden	Moreau Street	720 00	608 00	23 00	10 50
James A. Ivy	Cadiz Street	3000 00	376 00	18 80	4 35
John T. Sawyer	Louisiana Avenue	1200 00	479 05	27 00	16 25
Lewis A. Reed,Sup'y	Algiers		590 05	30 00	4 10
Thomas Mullett	Brasherar and Lafourche Mission		97 75	4 90	
John Wilkinson	Baton Rouge		1200 00	60 00	10 00
John V. Pointer	Plaquemine and Grosse Tete		250 00	15 00	20 00
Robert J. Harp	New Orleans Deposity				
Patrick Lane	Institution for the Blind,Baton Rouge				
Charles W. Carter,P.E.	DELHI DISTRICT	1500 00	748 00	40 00	
Charles F. Evans	Monroe	1250 00	895 00	26 25	3 25
Henry O. White	Trenton	1200 00	1035 00	51 75	15 00
Marcus C. Manley	Bastrop	1200 00	754 00	53 00	20 00
T. H. McClendon	Lind Grove	800 00	460 00	23 50	10 00

James L. Wright	Oak Ridge	$ 800 00	$ 557 00	$ 28 00	$ 2 00
Thomas S. Randle	Rayville	800 00	326 50	18 50	9 00
George Jackson	Winnsboro	500 00	181 00		5 00
Hiram R. Singleton	Waterproof and St. Joseph	800 00	509 80	31 60	
B. F. Alexander	Tensas Chapel				
Albert M. Wailes	Concordia Mission		260 00	13 00	5 00
James J. Billinglsey	Wesley	150 00	168 50	7 50	10 00
P. H. Dieffenwierth,	Wesley				
Eugene G. Miller	Delhi	800 00	360 00	18 25	1 00
J. Gorton Miller	Lake Providence	1000 00	800 00	35 00	10 00
George M. Liverman	Floyd	1000 00	391 00	20 00	7 70
Joel T. Daves	Mexican Mission				
Samuel S.Scott,P.E.	HOMER DISTRICT	1200 00	450 00	22 50	
Whitmel P.Kimball	Homer	860 00	518 00	25 00	15 00
R. W. Flournoy	Haynesville	700 00	500 00	23 50	
John A. Miller	Minden	750 00	638 10	31 50	13 70
W. D. Stayton,Sup	Sparta & Ringgold	400 00	150 00	7 50	
Jacob D. Harper	Arcadia	[illegible]	492 00	33 00	15 00
James M. McKee	Vernon	660 00	195 75	9 80	
John W. Hearne	Castor	400 00	201 70	16 00	
J. B. Landers,Sup.	Louisville				
Robert T. Parish	Ouachita	630 00	317 00	15 85	14 00

Robert Parvin	Farmerville	$ 1000 00	$ 400 00	$ 20 00	$ 7 00
Baxter Clegg	Pres. Homer College				
Thos. J. Upton	Financial Secretary Homer College				
Nathan M. Skipworth, P.E.	Shreveport District				
Alexander M. Goodwyn	Shreveport	2000 00	1750 00	87 50	4 25
Richard H. Adair	Caddo	650 00	357 00	18 00	
John Pipes	DeSoto	775 00	350 00	22 50	20 80
James E. Bradley	Mansfield & Pleasant H.				
H. L. Smith, Sup'y.	Beulah				
James M. Franklin	Manny	225 00	165 00	5 00	2 50
Felix G. Hocutt	Anacoco & Leesville	350 00	215 00	15 00	5 00
Jesse Fulton	Springville				
Robert Randle	North Bossier	600 00	401 34	23 00	12 50
Joseph H. Stone, P.E.	ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT		154 60	5 00	
Christian Keener	Alexandria & Pineville	500 00	216 00	10 80	5 00
Frederick White	Spring Creek		150 00	7 50	5 00
Thomas R. Curtis,	Chicot and Ville Platte				
Silas H. Cooper	Bayou Boeuf				
W. P. Owen (		300 00	579 96	28 95	7 10
Alf. E. Clay (	Evergreen and Big Cane	1200	100 69	5 00	

Wm. A. Droddy,Sup'y	Cotile and Dark	$			
John F. Wynn	Rapides and Mission	500 00	$ 325 00	$15 00	$ 2 50
James S. White	Montgomery	500 00	105 00	5 25	5 00
Samuel H.Schroeder	Harrisonburg and Sicily Island.		270 00	13 50	5 00
William R. Whatley	Centerville	200 00	60 00	3 00	
D. S. Mitchell,Sup'g	Trinity				
Phillip Allen	Columbia & Triune	700 00	170 40	11 00	6 00
Wm. V. Taylor	(				
Chris. R. Godfrey	(Caldwell and Dugdemona	200 00	136 25	6 25	2 00
James E. Cobb, P. E.	OPELOUSAS DISTRICT		324 26	2 50	
Reynolds S.Trippett	Opelousas & Washington	1200 00	456 00	15 10	6 00
Robert S. Isbell	St. Landry	100 00	381 45	20 00	7 25
Thomas F. Webb	Teche	100 00	100 00	5 00	5 00
J. Marshall Brown	Vermillionville	400 00	243 50	15 00	3 00
A. Hoffpauir	Abbeville	600 00	118 00		
Ben. F. White	New Iberia	1000 00	598 00	23 25	6 25
Jos. W. Medlock	Franklin	800 00	563 00	12 00	4 50
Robert A. Davis	Pattersonville			14 50	9 00
Enos B. Foust	Lake Charles	850 00	254 60	13 00	1 20
Wm. Hart	Calcasieu		37 50		
J. W. Williams,Supply	-Sugartown				
M. R. Hollister,Sup'y	Grand Cheniere				

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MISSIONS

The Conference Missionary Anniversary was held in the Town Hall, Alexandria, La. on Sunday night, the 10th of January, 1875.

Rev. B. F. Alexander, President of the Conference Missionary Board, opened the meeting with devotional exercises, and occupied the chair.

At same hour, same evening, a missionary meeting was also held in the new church on the Pineville side of the river, for the convenience of those who could not attend the meeting in Alexandria.

Bishop Keener was the speaker of the evening at the Alexandria meeting, and Rev. John Mathews was the speaker of the Pineville meeting.

The Secretary's annual report was read, as follows:

MISSIONARY REPORT FOR 1874

To the Presiding Bishop and Members of the Louisiana Conference:

BRETHREN - A thoughtful review of the Missionary history of our church, including that of the past year, must be saddening to every one among us who ardently desires the establishment of the Kingdom of Christ throughout the whole earth. The little that has been done, in comparison with our ability as a church, towards taking possession of the kingdoms of this world for Christ, is the index of an alarming want among us of that godly sympathy for perishing souls, and that lofty enthusiasm for the cause of Christ, which constitute the true missionary spirit. Upon review of our missionary record,

we feel persuaded that there is nothing in it which prompts to self-gratulation. Measured by the scriptural standard, the true glory of any branch of the church of Christ, like the true glory of an army, is its militant and aggressive capacity, rather than its conserving and defensive capacity. It is well for an army to hold its own in the face of an invading enemy, but the glory of an army is its onward march into the enemy's territory, conquering and despoiling the strongholds thereof. It is the forward movement of the host that best demonstrates its power. Of power and glory, according to this standard, our church has not much to boast. More than twenty-five years ago our church made an advance movement into the domain of China, and so far from increasing the original force, and vigorously pressing forward said movement, we have but feebly sustained the little band ever since, making no response to their repeated calls for help to push onward into the interior of that kingdom of Satan. The advance movement into Mexico, undertaken by our Church two years ago, has been pressed with more energy and sustained with more vigor than that into China; but the lack of means to take advantage of the great and effectual doors continually opening to us in Mexico,has made sorrowful the hearts of our missionary laborers there, and of our missionary board here. These two dots on the map of the kinddoms of this world that have yet to be taken for Christ, represent all that a church of more than half million members is doing for the cause of Christ in the regions beyond. As one of the Conferences of such church we should be painfully dissatisfied with ourselves for this lack of service unto Christ. Yet it is to be feared we so much circumscribe our attention and interest in the cause of Christ to the particular part of Immanuel's land in which we labor ourselves, that it vies us no very great

concern how long the distant parts of said land remain in undisputed possession of the ruler of the darkness of this world. We imagine we can hear the Master rebuking us, saying: "This ought ye to have done and not to leave the other undone," "This part of my inheritance ought ye to take possession of for me, and not to leave my inheritance among the heathen in the lands of the powers of darkness."

Surely it must be for want of taking broad scriptural views of the cause of Christ among mankind that, as is evidently the case, so many thousands of our church members who are otherwise loyal to Christ, take no warm interest in the missionary movement for the establishment of His Kingdom in the ends of the earth. They seem to forget that the soul of the poor degraded Hottentot is just as precious in the sight of the Saviour as that of the most polished Anglo-Saxon; that for each alike He shed His own Blood, and that for each al ike His gospel is the power of God unto salvation. They seem to forget that in the eyes of Him who is the true and only Potentate, those "regions beyond." They seem to forget that Satan, having made himself the god of this world, as the spirit that now ruleth in the hearts of the children of disobedience, this earth, as a whole, is the seene of a high-handed usurpation; and that it is for the overthrow of this Satanic usurpation Christ has organized His visible church. They seem to forget that the emancipation of Louisiena or of America from bondage to the ruler of the darkness of this world is but a part of the great militant movement of Christ, and that until the usurpation of Satan is utterly crushed in the whole earth, the territory already recovered from his diabolical control is in jeopardy of relapsing again into subjection to him, as witness the regions of Asia, where once the banner of the gospel forces waved triumphantly, but

now again become subordinated to the powers of darkness. They seem to forget that membership in the church of Christ means enrollment for active service in this great crusade of Christ for the conquest of the world from the usurpation of Satan, and that therefore the one distinctive duty of every member is to assist, to the fullness of his ability, in making up and equipping a militant host that shall move forward, in obedience to the orders of the great Captain of Salvation, from city to city, from country to country - forward to the remotest nations and the most distant islands of the sea - forward over the whole earth, until Christ shall subdue all things unto Himself, and until all the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ. They forget that so strictly was the visible church of our Christ organized upon an aggressive and warfaring basis, that wherever and whenever any brahch thereof fails to sustain the forward movement for the conquest of the whole world from the power of Satan; fails to send forth the light and the truth of salvation to the people that are sitting in the region and shadow of death; fails to produce evangelists and pastors and teachers, and to project them out into the darkness of this world; from such branch of the church militant Christ ever withdraws His presence and His power.

Evidently the eyes of our people need to be opened to larger conceptions of the cause of Christ in the earth; they need to be lifted up to a more commanding point of vision, whence they can take in the whold field: they need to be led out from their insulated Uticas into the large and high places of Zion.

The soldier who is stationed at the center of a great army, or to the right or lfet of it, or who is in charge of some outpost, or who is doing

garrison duty at the rear, can have little conception of the plans and purposes of the campaign in which said army is engaged, so long as he limits his vision thereof to the operations going on in his own vicinity; and in such case the limit of his conception of the campaign will be found to be the limit of his interest in it. With him the most important maneuvre is the one in which he is directly engaged, and the most strategic position is the one which his immediate command is holding. Beyond these, he feels no real interest in the campaign. But put in his hands a map of the campaign as it is sketched at headquarters, or take him to some eminence from which the commanding general overlooks the entire field, and at once he begins to have some adequate conception of the plans and purposes of the campaign; he learns that the particular manaeuvre or position with which he is identified is but an integrant part of the wole, and then you will find that his interest in the campaign will enlarge accordingly. So it is with the individual Christian. Let his vision of the cause of Christ be limited to the locality in which he lives;let his views of the work of Christ be confined to what is being accomplished by his own particular church and he will have a very crude conception of the plans and purposes of the campaign carried on by Christ in the earth, and his interest therein will be limited accordingly. But give him such a commanding and comprehensive view of the cause of Christ in the earth as is revealed in the parable, that "the field is the world," and as is expressed in the immortal words of Wesley, "The world is my parish," and at once his mind expands with some adequate conception of the magnitude of Christ's work, of the importance of carrying it on in the regions beyond, as well as the regions at home, and you will find his heart enlarging with interest therein accordingly. This is the need of our church membership,

and especially of the people among whom we labor. It must be so, else the hearts of our people would glow with a missionary enthusiasm which would find expression in continual earnest prayer to the Head of the Church, backed by the giving not of a hundred thousand dollars, but of a million dollars annually into His treasury, for the hastening of the time when the diabolical usurpation of Satan shall be utterly and finally crushed in the earth. The need of this missionary enthusiasm among our people suggests our duty in the case. Our pastors must catch the spirit of the great Captain, and pass to and fro among the camps of our Israel, keeping before the people the crusade character of their calling as members of the visible church, and the length and breadth of the field that is to be conquered for Christ; this, too, in line upon line, here a little and there a little, giving them often to hear the rallying call of Christ to His sacramental host. "Arise, O Israel, the land is before thee. Go up and possess it, and my presence shall be with thee."

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TREASURER'S REPORT

A. E. Goodwyn, Treasurer

In account with the Board of Missions of the La. Annual Conference:

(statistics on following pages)

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT:

1874		DR.
Carondelet Street Church		$ 943 55
Felicity Street Church	$269 20	
" Sunday School	218 80	488 00
Louisiana Avenue Church		20 00
Algiers Church		22 30
Baton Rouge		55 00
Plaquemine and Grosse Tete		15 00
Cadiz Street Church -	$ 2 85	
Sunday Sch.	26 55	29 40
		$1,573 25

DELHI DISTRICT:

Monroe		$ 1 50
Trenton		26 35
Rayville Circuit		13 00
Waterproof and St. Joseph		17 20
Oak Ridge		10 05
Lake Providence		12 00
Bastrop (for Mexico)	$100 00	
Bastrop Sunday School	19 50	119 50
Lind Grove Circuit		35 25
Delhi Circuit		10 00
Winnsboro Circuit		5 00
Tensas Circuit and Concordia Mission		5 00
		$ 278 05

HOMER DISTRICT:

Minden	$ 15 35
Haynesville Circuit	10 00
Ouachita Circuit	35 00
Farmerville Circuit	40 00
Arcadia Circuit	38 75
Vernon Circuit	50 00
	$ 189 10

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

Shreveport	$ 11 90
Caddo Circuit	34 60
DeSoto Circuit	31 20
Mansfield and Pleasant Hill	66 90
North Bossier	14 75
	$ 159 35

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT:

Alexandria and Pineville	$ 5 00
Columbia Circuit	5 00
Evergreen and Big Cane Circuit	15 00
Harrisonburg and Sicily Island	30 00
Rapides	5 00
Centerville Circuit	4 40
Montgomery Circuit	4 00
	$ 68 40

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT:

Opelousas and Washington	$ 10 20
St. Landry Circuit	15 90
Calcasieu Circuit	2 25
Franklin	6 50
Lake Charles and Grand Cheneier	3 25
Vermillionville	32 80
New Iberia	38 55
Pattersonville	7 10
Teche Circuit	3 70
	$ 120 25

FROM OTHER SOURCES

Pledge collected of J. E. Cobb		$ 20 00
Cash received in exchange on Nashville Anniversary:		2 60
Alexandria	$121 90	
Pineville	125 00	246 90
		$ 269 50

RECAPITULATION

New Orleans District - - - - - - -	$ 1573 25
Delhi District	278 05
Homer District	189 10
Shreveport District	159 35
Alexandria District	68 40
Opelousas District	120 25
From Other Sources	269 50
Total collected	$ 2657 90
Cash in hand at last report	100 00
Grand Total	$ 2757 90

CREDIT

By amount paid draft Lafourche Mis.	$ 50 00
By " " " Shreveport Dist.	50 00
" " " Louisville Mission	50 00
" " " Concordia Mission	50 00
" " " Opelousas District	50 00
" " " Printing Minutes 1873	175 00
" " " Bishop Keener (Mexico)	763 55
" " " R. J. Harp (loan)	69 11
" " " to China (Felicity)	218 80
" " " repairing Conference Trunk	9 25
" " "J. C. Keener (Mexico)	129 50
" " " R. J. Harp, 40 per cent on $1647 50	659 00
" " Cash on Hand	483 69
	$ 2757 90

The Conference Board divided the foregoing amount among the Districts as follows:

New Orleans District	$ 1250 00
Delhi District	250 00
Homer District	250 00
Shreveport District	250 00
Alexandria District	200 00
Opelousas District	200 00

DOMESTIC

Amount assessed the Conference for the home work $1000 00.

The foregoing amount was divided among the Districts as follows:

New Orleans District	$ 500 00
Delhi District	100 00
Homer District	100 00
Shreveport District	100 00
Alexandria District	100 00
Opelousas District	100 00

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CONSTITUTION

of the

LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE BOARD OF MISSIONS of

the

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

Article 1. This Board shall be denominated the Louisiana Annual Conference Board of Missions, auxiliary to the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Article 2. The Board shall consist of nine members, elected annually by the Conference, five of whom shall constitute a quorum for business. At their first meeting the Board shall elect from their number a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.
The Board shall have power to fill all vacancies occurring by death, resignation or otherwise.

Article 3. The President, or in his absence, the Vice President, shall preside at all meetings of the Board.

Article 4. The Secretary shall keep full and complete records of all the proceedings of the Board, and prepare the annual report of the Board for the Louisiana Annual Conference, a copy of which report he shall forward to the Secretary of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and perform such other duties as the Board may direct.

Article 5. The Treasurer shall take charge of all the funds and properties of the Board, subject to the orders of the Board, and shall also make a full report annually of all the receipts and disbursements; and he shall transmit to the Treasurer of the General Board all moneys he may receive for general purposes.

Article 6. The Board shall regulate its own affairs. It shall have absolute control of the Missions it may establish, with the consent of the President of the Conference, within its own bounds, and of the funds raised for their support. It shall hold a public Anniversary Missionary meeting at each session of the Conference, the proceeds of which shall be equally divided between the Conference Board and the General Board. It shall publish a full

report of its operations every year in the Minutes of the Conference. It shall annually estimater the amount that may be necessary for the support of the Missions of the Conference, and apportion the same to the Presiding Elder's Districts for collection; and it shall divide the apportionment of the General Board among the several Districts of the Conference.

Article 7. An annual collection shall be taken up in every congregation, by the Preacher in charge, in aid of the Conference Missions, and another in aid of the Foreign Missions, the proceeds of which shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Board.

Article 8. This Constitution may be altered and amended by a vote of a majority of the Conference at any of its annual sessions.

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD FOR 1875

President - - - - - - - - - - -	B. F. Alexander
Vice President	W. H. Foster
Secretary	J. Wilkinson
Treasurer	A. E. Goodwyn.

BOARD

Clerical:
- A. E. Goodwyn
- R. S. Trippett
- B. F. Alexander
- J. Wilkinson
- J. A. Miller
- N. S. Cornell

Lay:
- W. H. Foster
- W.H.N.Magruder
- R. L. Walmsley

MISSIONARY ASSESSMENTS FOR 1875

Foreign:

Amount assessed the Conference, by the General Board for Foreign Work	$ 2400 00

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT:	MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS				
	Tract Cause	Church Building & Rep.	Parson-ages	Paid for House Rent	Collected for Poor
Carondelet Street	$	$	$	$ [illegible]	$ 500 00
Felicity Street				959 95	273 50
Louisiana Avenue		2252 06			
Algiers		10 00			
Baton Rouge		210 00		300 00	150 00
New Orleans District				500 00	
	$	$2472 06	$	$1757 95	$ 923 50
Delhi District:					
Monroe		$ 220 00			
Trenton		140 00	$ 200 00	$ 100 00	
Bastrop			385 00	200 00	
Lind Grove			300 00		
Water Proof and St. Joseph			304 00		
Floyd		50 00	5 00		
	$	$ 410 00	$ 1194 00	$ 300 00	
Homer District					
Minden		180 00			
South Bossier	70 00			100 00	
Farmerville		1500 00			
	$ 70 00	$1680 00		$100 00	

	Tract Cause	Church Building & Rep.	Parson-ages	Paid for House Rent	Collected for Poor
Shreveport District					
Shreveport		$ 349 75	$ 1668 46	$	$ 7 00
Caddo		300 00	25 00		
DeSoto		500 00			
Manny		900 00			
Leesville		15 00			
	$	$2064 75	$ 1693 46		$ 7 00
Alexandria District					
Alexandria & Pineville		$ 160 00	$ 250 00		
Evergreen & Big Cane		750 00	75 00		
Rapides and Mission		100 00			$ 15 00
Montgomery		5 00			
Harrisonburg and Sicily Is.		32 35			
Columbia and Triune		29 50			
Caldwell and Dugdemona		200 00			
	$	$1276 85	$ 325 00		$ 15 00
Opelousas District:					

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Opelousas District:					
Opelousas	$	$ 25 00	$	$	$ 7 00
Washington		40 00			
St. Landry		35 00		95 00	
Vermillionville and Kimball's Chapel		100 00			
New Iberia		2 50			13 00
Calcasieu		13 75			
		$216 25		$95 00	$ 20 00

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

The report of the Chairman of the Committee on Sunday Schools concludes as follows:

"In view of the momentous interest involved in the Sunday School enterprise, will we not bestir ourselves and redouble our diligence to recuperate our waning schools and organize others? Let us preach with all the interest and earnestness we can on the claims of the Sabbath School, and the imperative obligations of the Church to work in this most inviting and hopeful field of sanctified endeavor. Our most intelligent and scriptural members come from our Sabbath School. These schools help to train and send forth men into the holy work of the ministry. The editors, the commentators, the missionaries, swarm from these hives of Christian purity and knowledge. We cannot afford to let this vital interest fall to the ground. We dare not, at our greatest peril, prove unfaithful to this sacred trust.

"RESOLVED, That we pledge ourselves to renewed and ardent devotion to the Sabbath School work; and that we promise, by the help of grace, to bring up a more encouraging report next year on this great work that we have presented this."

CHURCH PUBLICATIONS:

The following resolutions were appended to the report on Church Publications and adopted:

RESOLVED, That we will, to the utmost of our

ability, disseminate the books and periodicals of our own Publishing House.

2nd. That we ought, and will endeavor to increase the circulation of the Nashvile Christian Advocate and the Sunday School periodicals within our bounds.

3rd. That we heartily endorse the New Orleans Christian Advocate, and that we will increase its circulation.

4th. That we recommend the publisher of the New Orleans Christian Advocate the propriety of adopting and adhering, if possible, to the cash system.

The following addendum to foregoing report was also adopted in reference to -

THE SOUTHERN REVIEW

WHEREAS, The Southern Review is published by the approval and under the auspices of our General Conference; and whereas, it takes rank amongst the first periodicals now published in the English language; and whereas, its circulation is calculated to elevate the intelligence and piety of our Church; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Conference regards the Southern Review as a periodical of the highest merit, and entitled to our best wishes and patronage.

RESOLVED, That we will use our efforts to bring it before our people, and to extend its circulation within our bounds.

EDUCATION:

CENTENARY COLLEGE

Your committee would direct special attention to Centenary College. This old and noble institution still lives. Notwithstanding the disabilities of our people, Centenary has been quietly preparing and guiding herself to cope with "the enemy" in the conflict which is inevitable. This darkness will be lifted from our land, and when the clouds pass our honored institution will be ready to perform the grand work of moulding the young men into a manhood of moral power. When we take into consideration the condition of our people, the financial troubles of the country, and the unsettled state of the public mind, we have occas- to commend the Trustees and Faculty for the skill with which they have directed and managed this important trust. The report of the Trustees is encouraging. The students in attendance during 1874 numbered 106. The College buildings are in safe condition. During the past three years fifteen thousand dollars have been expended in repairs. The property of the bollege is free of all incumbrances; its halls are ample; its location most eligible; its character as an institution of learning established by the history of forty years. Perhaps no institution of Southern Methodism stands on a firmer basis.

We are gratified to learn that there are today thirteen young men in her halls preparing for the ministry. God is raising up friends who will yet grandly endow this noble institution.

It is with pleasure we can report that a lady friend has recently given ten thousand dollars toward its endowment. The Board has adopted a plan of endowment for raising one hundred thou-

sand dollard toward its endowment. The Board has adopted a plan of endowment for raising one hundred thousand dollars, which is thought to be both safe and practicable. The purpose of this endowment is to place the college in a position of strength beyond contingencies. Be it therefore,

RESOLVED, By the Louisiana Annual Conference, That we cheerfully and cordially co-operate with the Faculty and Trustees of Centenary College in their efforts to increase its patronage

RESOLVED, That we endorse and recommend the plan recently adopted by the Trustees for the endowment of Centenary College, and will gladly receive and co-operate with the agent who may be sent forth to secure said endowment.

HOMER COLLEGE

WHEREAS, This Conference is opposed to the collection, by process of law, of donations made for educational or charitable purposes, as unwise and injurious to the interest of the Church, as well as to the interest of the College, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we advise a discontinuance of all litigation, or threatened litigation, to enforce the collection of the endowment notes.

2. Resolved, That this Conference deems it inexpedient to continue the appointment of Financial Secretary from the clerical members of this body.

3. RESOLVED, That while this Conference regards Prof. Gordon as every way worthy and competent to fill the position of President, yet we are of the opinion that the appointment of

Prof Gordon as President, under the terms and conditions made between him and the Board of trustees, would place the question of litigation to enforce the payment of the endowment notes under his control, as well as commit this Conference to the policy of converting Homer College into a free school, therefore this Conference is unwilling to make said appointment in connection with the said terms and conditions.

PIERCE AND PAINE COLLEGE

The report says, "We direct attention to our Pierce and Paine College, which is situated in the extreme part of DeSoto Parish. We have here 630 acres of land deeded and recorded. The building consists in a large two-story brick building, and it stands on a commanding site. During the last two years the Trustees have expended two hundred and thirty dollars in repairs and improvements. The property is now rented to Prof. J. H. Foster, who has a high school of from forty to sixty pupils."The Board of Trustees are as follows:

Clerical:

Bishop J. C. Keener, D. D.
R. H. Adair
J. A. Miller
R. H. Harp
S. S. Scott
J. M. Franklin.

Rev. B. F. Alexander
B. Clegg
A. E. Goodwyn
R. Parvin
F. White

Lay:

H. J. Davis, Secretary
T. A. Armstrong
E. W. Jackson
N. C. Gibbs
H. S. Kennedy, Pres.
W. Hamilton.

W. D. Gooch, Trears.
J. M. Gibbs
J. Porter
R. W. Freeman
J. C. Leopole

RESOLVED, That this Conference approve the care with which the Trustees have guarded the property, and recommend that we give our hearty support to all efforts made to enlarge the usefulness of Pierce and Paine College.

MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE

The report says: "We point to the Mansfield Female College as an institution capable of the highest influence in educating the daughters of our State. This well known institution is situated in Mansfield, La. It is built on a lot of nine acres of land deeded to the Louisiana Conference, and is out of debt. The Board has succeeded in securing the services of Prof. Thos. Armstrong of Alabama, as President of this college." The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That this Conference heartily approve of the election of Prof. Thos. Armstrong as the President of Mansfield Female College; that we commend the institution to the patronage of our people, and that we will use our influence to secure pupils for the College.

BOARD OF MANAGERS FOR 1875

Rev. John Pipes
Rev. S. S. Scott
Rev. J. M. Brown
Wm. Bowman
B. T. Spearman

BIBLE CAUSE

The Committee reported the following resolutions, which were adopted:

The Committee on the Bible Cause beg leave to report the following resolutions for adoption by the Conference, viz:

RESOLVED, That the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment, is one of the grand movements of the present age for the conversion of the heathen world, and for spreading the Gospel among civilized nations.

RESOLVED, That the work and success of the Bible Cause are matters of joy and rejoicing to the Church of God.

RESOLVED, That we heartily co-operate with the Southwestern Bible Society in the distribution of the Holy Scriptures in the several fields of labor assigned us.

TEMPERANCE

The Committee reported the following resolutions, which were adopted:

RESOLVED, That we shall endeavor to teach our people the great inconsistency of indulging in the use of intoxicating liquors, while they remain in the Church.

John Pipes was elected Chairman of Committee on Temperance.

Vote on the Temperance Substitute

Yeas:- Clerical - L. Parker, J. Pipes, B. F. White, R. T. Parish, C. W. Carter, J. A. Miller, T. H. McClendon, J. F. Wynn, J. Wilkinson, M.C. Manly, J. V. Pointer, J. Mathews, R. Parvin, J. M. McKee, R. H. Adair, J. M. Franklin, G. Jackson, R. S. Trippett, G. M. Liverman, P. Allen, C. Keener, J. S. White, T. S. Randle, J. J. Billingsley, W. Hart, T. Mullett, F. G. Hocutt. Lay:- T. Franklin. Total - Clerical and Lay 28.

Nays:-Clerical - B. F. Alexander, R. J. Harp, J.

A. Ivy, S. S. Scott, F. White, B. Clegg, H. O. White, J. H. Stone, T. J. Upton, J. E. Cobb, W. D. Stayton, R. Randle, S. H. Cooper, J. M. Brown, J. W. Medlock, S. H. Schroeder, E. B. Foust, W. P. Owens, J. M. Johnston, J. D. Harper, J. W. Hearne, R. S. Isbell, E. B. Foust, A. E. Goodwyn, Lay:- W. H. Foster, J. Moore, R. J. Bowman, E. Hearne. Total - Clerical and Lay-27.

CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Chairman Committee on Sunday Schools - J. B. Walker,
Chairman Church Publications - T. J. Upton
Chairman Education - J. Matthews,
Chairman Bible Cause - R. S. Trippett
Chairman Temperance - J. Pipes.

VISITING COMMITTEES

Centenary College - - - (C. W. Carter
(R. J. Bowman
(J. Matthews

Homer College - - - - - (A. E. Goodwyn
(J. M. McKee
(J. H. Mays

Mansfield Female College (R. H. Adair
(J. L. Scales
(P. Allen.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION AND COURSE OF STUDY:

For examination of candidates for admission on trial:- B. Clegg, C. W. Carter, Jno. F. Wynn.

Studies: The Bible, in reference to doctrines generally; Wesley's Sermons on Justification by Faith, and on the Witness of the Spirit; Book of Discipline, the ordinary branches of an English Education.

Committee:- Class of First Year:
R. H. Adair, H. O. White, Jno. A. Miller

Studies:- The Bible, in reference to its historical and biographical parts, and its chronology; Book of Discipline, with special reference to chapter 1, sections 1 and 2; Manual of Discipline, chapters 1 and 2; Wesley's Sermons, Vol 1; Ralston's Elements of Divinity; Watson's Institutes part 4; Written Sermon on Repentance.

Books of Reference:- Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary; Theological Compend; Fletcher's Works; Watson's Life of Wesley.

COMMITTEE - Class of Second Year:
John Mathews, B. F. White, J. M. Brown.

Studies: The Bible, in reference to its prophetical parts; Wesley's Sermons, vol 2; Watson's Institutes, part 3; Smith's Elements of Divinity; Book of Discipline, with special reference to chapters 2, 3 and 4; Manual of Discipline, chapters 3 and 4; Coppee's Rhetoric; Written Sermon on Justification by Faith.

Books of Reference:- Newton or Keith on the Prophecies; Angus' Handobook of the Bible; Claude's Essay on the Composition of a Sermon; Watson's Sermons; Bickersteth on the Spirit of Life.

COMMITTEE - Class of Third Year:
W. P. Owen, B. F. Alexander, C. Keener.

Studies:- The Bible, in reference to the Life of Christ; Wesley's Sermons, vol 3; Watson's Institutes, part 2; Edgar's Variations of Popery; Book of Discipline, with special reference to chapter 5 to the end; Manual of Discipline, Written Sermon on the Witness of the Spirit.

Books of Reference: Young's Christ of History; Neander's Life of Christ; Hickok's Mental Science; Vinet's Pastoral Theology; Steven's History of Methodism; Paine's Life of McKendree; D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation.

Committee: Class of Fourth Year:
J. B. Walker, J. Wilkinson, Robert Randle.

Studies:- The Bible, in reference to the Acts and Epistles, their analysis and design; Wesley's Sermons, vol 4; Watson's Institutes, part 1; Powell on Apostolical Succession; River's Moral Science; Mosheim's Church History; Summers on Baptism; Book of Discipline reviewed, Manual of Discipline, chapters 8 and 9; Written Sermon on Regeneration.

Books of Reference - Butler's Analogy; Bingham's Antiquities; Hickok's Moral Philosophy; Hoppin's Homiletics, Wall on Infant Baptism; Litton's Church of Christ; Neander's Church History; Liddon on the Divinity of our Lord; Conybeare and Howson's Life and Epistles of St.Paul.

Commentaries:- Clark's , Watson's Exposition, Wesley's Notes, Summers on the Gospels, Stier's Words of the Lord Jesus, Lange on the New Testament, Olshausen on the New Testament, Alford on the New Testament; Bloomfield on the New Testament, Macknight on the Epistles, Henry's Exposition, Whibby's Commentary.

NOTE: The examination will be convined to the course of study. The books of reference are recommended to be read, and the commentaries to be consulted.

UNDERGRADUATES

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Class of First Year - - - - - -	J. F. Patterson A. Hoffpauir G. T. Freeman
Class of Second Year - - - -	W. R. Whatley W. V. Taylor
Class of Third Year	J. S. White J. D. Harper T. S. Randle J.J.Billingsley W. Hart A. M. Wailes T. Mullett J. W. Hearne
Class of Fourth Year - - - -	S. H. Schroeder, E. B. Foust

NOTE: The undergraduates and the committees of examination are required, by resolution of the Conference, to be present at 9 A. M. Tuesday, before Conference Session.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES - OF WHOM COMPOSED

The following rule was adopted respecting the organization of District Conferences:

The District Conference shall be composed,1st. of all the preachers, traveling and local, in the District; and, 2nd, of one lay delegate for every forty members, or frantional part thereof, within the bounds of each Circuit, Station and Mission in the District. The lay members shall be elected by the several Quarterly Conferences and no Quarterly Conference shall be denied two lay delegates.

TIME OF HOLDING ANNUAL CONFERENCE

A resolution was adopted, requesting the College of Bishops to arrange, if practicable, to hold the Louisiana Conference hereafter between the 1st and 15th of December.

SEAT OF NEXT CONFERENCE

Question 30. Where shall the next session of Conference be held?

Answer: New Orleans, La.

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APPOINTMENTS

Question 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

Answer:

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT - J. B. Walker, P. E.

Carondelet Street - -	John Mathews
Felicity Street	J. B. Walker
Moreau Street	John T. Sawyer
Cadiz Street and Carrollton	James A. Ivy
Louisiana Avenue	Linus Parker
Algiers - To be supplied-Lewis A. Reed	
Lafourche	To be supplied
Baton Rouge	John Wilkinson
A. G. Miller, Supernumerary	
Plaquemine	Jacob D. Harper
New Orleans Advocate	Linus Parker
New Orleans Depository	Robert J. Harp

Institution for the Blind, Baton Rouge - Patricek Lane

DELHI DISTRICT - - - - -	Chas. W. Carter P. E.
Monroe	R. S. Trippett
Trenton	Henry O. White
Bastrop	W. P. Owens
Lind Grove	Thos. S. Randle
Oak Ridge	James L. Wright
(Boeuff River	Geo. T. Freeman
(Winnsboro	Albert M. Wailes
Waterproof & St. Jos.	Baxter Clegg
Tensas	Wm. Hart
Delhi	Benj. F. Alexander
Lake Providence and Pecan Grove	Nathan S. Cornell
Floyd	Thos. H.McClendon
Cothron Mission-To be supplied	W. Kellar
Superintendent Mexican Mis.	Joel T. Daves

HOMER DISTRICT - - - -	John A. Miller, P. E.
Homer	Whitmel P. Kimball
Lisbon, to be supplied	John L. Williams
Haynesville	Thomas J. Upton
Minden	Marcus C. Manly
Sparta	John W. Hearne
Arcadia	John C. Read
Vernon	James M. McKee
Carter	Felix G. Hocutt
Louisville	Alf. E. Clay
Downsville	Robert T. Parish
Farmerville	Robt. Parvin

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT -	Samuel S. Scott, P. E.
Shreveport	Alex. E. Goodwyn
Caddo	Richard H. Adair
DeSoto	John Pipes
Mansfield & Plesant H.	J. M. Brown
Natchitoches Circuit	James S. White
Manny and Beulah	James M. Franklin
Anacoco and Leesville	Wm. A. Droddy

Springville	Phillip Allen
"	Jesse Fulton, Supernumerary.
Webster	John F. Patterson
South Bossier	Geo. M. Liverman
North Bossier	Robert Randâe

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT - - Joseph H. Stone, P. E.

Alexandria and Pineville	Christian Keener
Rapides Mission	Thomas Mullett
Montgomery	To be supplied
Harrisonburg and Sicily Island	Samuel H. Schroeder
Centerville	Wm. R. Whatley
Trinity - To be supplied by D. L. Mitchell	
Little River Mission -	Pearce Sheppad
Columbia Circuit	John F. Wynn
Caldwell	George Jackson
Dugdemona	Christopher R.Godfry

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT - - - James E. Cobb, P. E.

Opelousas	Joshua F. Scurlock
Washington and Plaquemine Brule	Robt S. Isbell
Vermillionville	John V. Pointer
Abbeville	Abel Hoffpauir
New Iberia	B. F. White
Franklin	J. W. Medlock
Pattersonville and Brasher	Robt. A. Davis
Grand Cheniere	Silas H. Cooper
Chicot and Ville Platte	Frederick White
Spring Creek	Wm. V. Taylor
Evergreen and Big Cane	J. M. Johnston

Transferred - N. M. Skipworth, James E. Bradley, to Columbia Conference; H. R. Singleton, to the Mississippi Conference; R. W. Flournoy, to the Northwest Texas Conference; J. A. G. Rabe, to the Texas Conference; Charles F. Evans to the Little Rock Conference; Wm. V. Tudor to the St. Louis Conference; Wm. D. Shea, to North Texas Con.

J. Gorton Miller, withdrawn.

Enos B. Foust, left without appointment, and his case referred to Presiding Elder of the New Orleans District.

J. B. A. Ahrens, John Krauter, Wm. Leiser, J. G. Grote, set off with the German Mission Conference.

Superannuated:- Henry C. Thweatt, Philo M. Goodwyn, Joel Saunders, John S. Davis, Wm. E. Doty, Edwin W. Yancey, Philip H. Dieffenwierth.

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